

**AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR ADVISORY  
COUNCIL ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION**

**JUNE 1, 1992.**—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

**Mr. MILLER** of California, from the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, submitted the following

**R E P O R T**

[To accompany H.R. 3905]

[Including cost estimate of the Congressional Budget Office]

<sup>907</sup>The Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, to whom was referred the bill (H.R. 3905) to amend the Historic Preservation Act to authorize appropriations for the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, and for other purposes, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

**PURPOSE**

The purpose of H.R. 3905<sup>1</sup> is to increase the authorization of appropriations for the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation.

**BACKGROUND**

Established by the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation advises the President, the Congress, government agencies and the public on the most appropriate ways to preserve our nation's heritage. Under current law, there is authorized to be appropriated \$2,500,000 annually to carry out the Council's functions. The President's FY 1993 budget requested \$2.798 million for the Council. Without additional authorization, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation would not be authorized to receive appropriations beyond \$2,500,000.

<sup>1</sup> H.R. 3905 was introduced by Mr. Thomas of Wyoming on November 23, 1991.

## SECTION-BY-SECTION ANALYSIS

H.R. 3905 amends Section 212(A) of the National Historic Preservation Act (16 U.S.C. 470t) to change the authorization of appropriations for the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation in an amount not to exceed \$5,000,000 for each fiscal year 1992 through 1996.

## LEGISLATIVE HISTORY AND COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

A hearing on H.R. 3905 was held by the Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands on April 28, 1992. H.R. 3905 was favorably recommended to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs on May 14, 1992. The Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs favorably reported H.R. 3905 to the House by voice vote on May 20, 1992.

## OVERSIGHT STATEMENT

The Committee intends to carefully monitor the implementation of this legislation to ensure compliance with the intent of the Act, but no specific oversight hearings have been conducted on this matter. No recommendations were submitted to the Committee pursuant to Rule X, clause 2(b)(2).

## INFLATIONARY IMPACT STATEMENT

The Committee finds that enactment of this measure would have no inflationary impact on the national economy.

## COST AND BUDGET ACT COMPLIANCE

The Committee has determined that only a minimal increase in the Federal expenditure will result from enactment of this bill. The report of the Congressional Budget Office follows:

U.S. CONGRESS,  
CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE,  
Washington, DC, May 29, 1992.

Hon. GEORGE MILLER,  
*Chairman, Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.*

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: The Congressional Budget Office has prepared the attached revised cost estimate for H.R. 3905, a bill to amend the Historic Preservation Act of authorize appropriations for the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, and for other purposes. This estimate supersedes the one we transmitted on May 26, 1992. In that original estimate, we incorrectly showed a \$5 million authorization level for fiscal year 1997.

Enactment of H.R. 3905 would not affect direct spending or receipts. Therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply to the bill.

If you wish further details on this estimate, we will be pleased to provide them.

Sincerely,

ROBERT D. REISCHAUER.

## CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

1. Bill number: H.R. 3905.

2. Bill title: A bill to amend the Historic Preservation Act to authorize appropriations for the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, and for other purposes.

3. Bill status: As ordered reported by the House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs on May 20, 1992.

4. Bill purpose: H.R. 3905 would extend the authority of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation to carry out its functions under the Act of October 15, 1966. For this purpose, the bill would authorize the appropriation of up to \$5 million for each of fiscal years 1992 through 1996.

In recent years, appropriations to the council have been between \$1.9 million and \$2.8 million. The Administration's request for fiscal year 1993 is about \$2.9 million.

5. Estimated cost to the Federal Government:

(By fiscal year, in millions of dollars)

	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Authorization level.....	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	.....
Less: Existing appropriation.....	-2.8					
Net additional authorization.....	2.2	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	.....
Estimated outlays.....	2.0	4.8	5.0	5.0	5.0	0.4

The costs of this bill fall within budget function 300.

Basis of Estimate: For purposes of this estimate, CBO has assumed that H.R. 3905 will be enacted before the beginning of fiscal year 1993 and that the full amounts authorized will be appropriated for each fiscal year. Authorization levels are those stated in the bill. For 1992, the net authorization level is the difference between the \$5 million authorized and the \$2.8 million in fiscal year 1992 appropriations to date. Outlays have been estimated on the basis of historical spending patterns for the salaries and expenses account of the advisory council.

6. Pay-as-you-go considerations: The Budget Enforcement Act of 1990 sets up pay-as-you-go procedures for legislation affecting direct spending or receipt through 1995. CBO estimates that enactment of H.R. 3905 would not affect direct spending or receipts. Therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply to the bill.

7. Estimated cost to State and local governments: None.

8. Estimate comparison: None.

9. Previous CBO estimate: On May 26, 1992, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for H.R. 3905 that showed an authorization for fiscal year 1997. This estimate corrects that error.

10. Estimate prepared by: Deborah Reis.

11. Estimate approved by: C.G. Nuckols, Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.

#### CHANGES IN EXISTING LAW MADE BY THE BILL, AS REPORTED

In compliance with clause 3 of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, changes in existing law made by the bill,

as reported, are shown as follows (existing law proposed to be omitted is enclosed in black brackets, new matter is printed in *italic*, existing law in which no change is proposed is shown in roman)

# SECTION 212 OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT

SEC. 212. (a) The Council shall submit its budget annually as a related agency of the Department of the Interior. [There are authorized to be appropriated not to exceed \$2,500,000 in each fiscal year 1990 through 1994.] *There are authorized to be appropriated for purposes of this title not to exceed \$5,000,000 in each fiscal year 1992 through 1996.*

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